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John -

Rather than handle this
memo from one of my best
ment bureaucratically,
I thought I'd just
bring it to you
personally.

Only you can judge
its validity.

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WASHINGTON

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Dear John:

With reference to your inquiry about [redacted]
[redacted] views, as I told you this was contained
in a personal letter from Henry Cabot Lodge
to the Secretary.

I am enclosing a copy for your confidential
information.

Very sincerely yours,

Charles E. Bohlen

The Honorable John McCone
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

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March 26, 1962

PERSONAL -- CONFIDENTIAL

The Honorable Dean Rusk
Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.
U. S. A.

Dear Dean:

Lord Gladwyn (formerly Sir Gladwyn Jebb) tells me that the Soviet Government has recently withdrawn 600 of its leading technicians from Communist China and that this makes it impossible for the Communist Chinese to operate their programs requiring specialized technical knowledge. This has apparently intensified the chaos and hardships already existing in Communist China.

To my surprise, Gladwyn also takes very seriously the report that the Soviet Union has a satellite which can circle the earth and carry a 100-megaton bomb. He says that if that bomb is exploded in the air, it could set devastating fire throughout North America and make retaliation from American bases impossible.

I transmit these two items because I believe Gladwyn is in the confidence of his Government and because he is a highly intelligent man.

Let me thank you once again for what you have said about the Atlantic Institute to Jack McCloy. We shall do our utmost to be worthy of your good opinion.

With warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

Henry Cabot Lodge

Director General